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A Woman's Exile in Siberia

MME. Kathrine Breshkoosky Tells of Her Attempt to Aid the Russian Peasants and of Her Prison Life.

The sweet, simple face of Mme. Kathrine Breshkoosky is a surprise to those who see her after hearing the story of the sufferings and hardships she has undergone in consequence of her connection with the social revolutionists in Russia. She is now in New York and last week spoke at Cooper Union on the situation in Russia.

Her maiden name was Kathrine Verego, and she comes of an aristocratic family founded six centuries ago. She is of pure Slav race, although she smiles when her features are scanned. Good humoredly she touches her broad cheek bones.

"The Tartar sign, you think? Yes. We have many of these traits from centuries back!"

She is tall, strong, gentle, calm. Her voice is deep and musical. Years of hardship and suffering and the sight of it in others have not made her voice or her nature harsh.

In repose her face is calm, meditative, sympathetic. A deep sadness may be seen, but no fretfulness, no impatience. Her complexion, for a woman of 40 who has

impressive with her extreme quiet. "It is another world, another life. One cannot see anything, one cannot hear anything. Nothing new ever occurs, the outside life is lost. Time is utterly monotonous and hard to endure. You get used to this only imperfectly. After one week in prison you know what it is forever."

"But prison has a secret life, an underground activity. Prisoners are intensely acute in learning to find out what happens outside."

"We knock on the walls, we tap on the floor, as signals. If a box or a book is received, or in any way a scrap of paper, it is used. In a book passed from one to another a prisoner learns to read the tiny dots of a cipher printed on an inconspicuous page. Sometimes on the walls which we are permitted to catch sight of a mere scrap, a sign of one kind or another left by some one going ahead."

"But if this is discovered, if these signs are found out, a prisoner is no longer allowed the walk or the book, and the régime becomes more strict."

and officers, and beautiful minds grow demoralized, and I have even learned to ignore it all, as well as the reeking filth, the nauseating sights, the horrible deeds."

Mme. Breshkoosky was questioned concerning the baby she had been forced to leave, and about her husband. The latter died a short time after she was imprisoned. The child was brought up by a relative. The son, who was born the year of her arrest, she never saw until he was 22. He was brought up in a manner so different from her own ideas that he is practically a stranger.

"But these are merely personal affairs," she said. "No one will take an interest in them. When a whole people, a whole country, is suffering, in its great distress, what do the feelings, the private affairs of an individual count?"

"What is important for Russia is important for the whole civilized world. I am satisfied with the American people, I am contented here. But I do not want to die away from my own country, from the land of my birth."

"I see a country that can be emancipated, and now I see more friends to help us."

She sat smiling like a child on the platform at a mass meeting the other night. Mme. Breshkoosky is so sweet, so dignified, so utterly without self-consciousness, that one can hardly credit the story of her terrible life. She looks to be a woman who has never pined herself.

Her friends wish to keep her out of harm's way. But her life work is still to be carried on. She wishes to go back to Russia, really for the sake of the struggle. But she is, always simply, always beautifully:

"I do not wish to die anywhere but in my own country."

CENSORED POSTERS.

Results of the City Marshal's Supervision of Billboards at Springfield.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 24.—There being a notion that the posters displayed in this city needed looking after, the city marshal was recently authorized to exercise a censorship over all lithographs intended to adorn billboards here. The advance agents of theatrical companies have since been undecided whether to storm and rage, or to roar with laughter at the results.

"What Women Will Do," was the first attraction which came under the marshal's pruning knife. He shook his head.

"Dreadful! dreadful!" he exclaimed. "Why, women will do anything! No sir-ee! That little won't go!"

In vain the advance agent pleaded that it was a picture of a shipwreck scene, a sinking vessel, some persons on nearby rocks and two men in a struggle on a spar, was ruled out at once, for beneath were the words, "Life for a Life," and the marshal had a suspicion that there was some killing about it. He had received strict orders about billboard murders, so the shipwreck scene was thrown into the waste paper basket.

A picnic scene soon followed the shipwreck.

"What could be more peaceful and chaste than this," said the advance man proudly as he showed a picture of Emily's birthday party in which Emily was wearing a salmon pink blouse, her relatives were gathered around in smiling groups and a young man was about to say a farewell. The marshal's finger was jabbed into the background.

"That!" he said in a voice of thunder. The advance man peered at the spot.

"That's the lunch basket," he explained timidly.

"Certainly, young man," came in firm tones. "But, what—what is that sticking out of the basket? Bottle? Bottle? Bottle? Do you suppose that Springfield will stand for bottles on its billboards?"

"But that's only lemonade," pleaded the advance man. "Did you ever hear of a picnic without bottles of lemonade? Now I put it to you, as man to man, could you go to a picnic and eat six or seven sandwiches without a sip of cold coffee or lemonade to wash them down?"

"How do I know it isn't champagne?" snapped the marshal. "I tell you a bottle of champagne is now so common that it is as suspicious as a bottle of lemonade."

"If they contained only cold coffee, why didn't you put 'em out in plain sight instead of partly hiding them in the basket? No, sir-ee!"

And over the bottles the marshal pasted a sheet of brown paper.

A revolver in the hands of a burglar was next plastered over with white paper, and the dagger in the hands of a ferocious maiden was concealed in a similar manner.

The word "damn" reappeared three layers of paper, for fear it might force its way through one layer, especially as the small boy's outcry is now so common that it is as suspicious as a bottle of lemonade.

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Our DEPOSITORS' ACCOUNT DEPARTMENT affords ALL the conveniences of a credit system, ALL the economies of our CASH system, and pays 4% interest on unexpended balances.

R. H. Macy & Co.'s Attractions Are Their Low Prices.

Macy's

B'way at 6th Av. 34th to 35th St.

MACY'S stocks of CHINA and GLASSWARE, on display and accessible for selling are GREATER THAN THE COMBINED STOCKS OF ALL OTHER DEPARTMENT STORES IN NEW YORK CITY.

Our Annual Sale of White Goods Involving Over \$250,000 Worth of Merchandise Starts Tuesday Morning.

This sale of dainty Undergarments and kindred lines of White Goods should prove to be the greatest by far in the history of Macy's. Preparations for it have been going on for months, the stocks collected greatly exceed any we have ever before gathered for a White Sale, and the values, in many instances, are better than those of the wonderful sale we conducted one year ago.

The list we give to-day—large as it is—is barely representative of the enormous assortments. The very low priced lines are entirely omitted from the details below, yet they are here just the same, and in abundant quantities. These White Goods stocks will be found on the second floor, also on the main floor and in the basement, the lowest priced lines being confined to the basement.

Very Special—French Lingerie Hand-Embroidered Bridal Trousseau, Five Pieces, \$12.49 Value Very Conservatively Placed at Twenty Dollars

The Trousseau includes walking skirts, night gown, drawers, corset cover and chemise, made of fine nainsook; every piece hand-made and hand-embroidered by deft-fingered French needle-workers. In the collection are four different patterns.

This offering is designed to introduce our newly arrived stocks of French Lingerie—assortments that we believe have no parallel in an American store.

Women's Suits, Coats and Furs Figuring in Remarkable Value Giving Events Starting Tuesday.

Suits at \$16.74. Value \$25.00

This is a special purchase collection of 130 excellent suits made up of various mixtures. There are three models to choose from—a loose-fitting long coat style, a medium length coat and a new chic blouse model designed for 1905; all have new skirts.

Women's Fur Lined Coats, 38 inches long, semi-fitting, made of black cloth, lined with gray and white squirrel; roll collar of mole or crushed plush; our regular price \$24.98; for this sale, \$17.49

Imported Fur Coats, Directoire style, with vest and elaborate trimming; reduced from \$32.74 to \$22.74

Coats \$8.49 Value \$14.00

front semi-fitting back; coat collar and well shaped revers, full sleeves with cuffs; entire garment well tailored and lined with heavy black satin.

Coats \$14.96 Value \$21.00

Made of bourette chevron, cloth trimmed, satin lined, handsomely tailored; 30-inch length, full box front and semi-fitting back with inverted pleat, collarless neck and full sleeves.

Coats \$10.96 Value \$18.00

double-breasted box front, semi-fitting back, black satin lining, full leg-of-mutton sleeves; collarless neck; trimmed with velvet and fancy braids.

Coats \$17.96 Value \$25.00

Made of very fine jersey cloth, with a splendidly tailored, lined with heavy black satin and trimmed with full graduated bands of material; full front, semi-fitting back, 40-inch length.

Women's Coats at \$21.96; Made to Sell at \$30.00.

Coats made of very fine panne cheviot, 46 inches long, semi-fitting, hand-made with velvet and fancy braids and lined with black satin. This is a very graceful and stylish model, with full fancy sleeves and collarless neck.

Infants' and Children's Wear.

LONG SLIPS.

Nainsook, Bishop style, neck and sleeves trimmed with lace edging 16c

Nainsook, Bishop style, trimmed with embroidery beading neck and sleeves finished with lace edging 29c

Nainsook, Bishop style, trimmed with embroidery beading and ribbon; neck and sleeves finished with lace edging 39c

LONG DRESSES.

English Nainsook, tucked yoke, neck and sleeves finished with lace edging; deep hem on skirt 24c

English Nainsook, Bishop style, trimmed with embroidery beading ribbon; neck and sleeves finished with lace edging 39c

English Nainsook, round yoke, formed of hemstitching and lace insertions; skirt finished with deep hem and lace insertion 89c

English Nainsook, round yoke, formed of hand and feather stitching; skirt with lace edging 89c

SHORT DRESSES.

6 months to 2 year sizes:—

Blue and Pink Striped Flannellette, yoke and collar trimmed with satin ribbon 39c

English Nainsook, round yoke, formed of hemstitching and lace insertions; skirt finished with deep hem and lace insertion 89c

English Nainsook, round yoke, formed of hand and feather stitching; skirt with lace edging 89c

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Women's Silk Waists.

At \$1.98—Made of China silk, buttoned back, pointed yoke effect, trimmed below yoke, with two rows of lace insertions, shirring and tucks; tucked back, trimmed stock collar.

At \$3.96—Made of Chiffon Taffeta, tucked and prettily trimmed with silk braids; French back; fancy stock collar; sold elsewhere at \$6.00.

Better qualities up to \$49.79

Women's Flannel Waists.

At 99c—Made of French Twill Flannel, tucked front, French back; in black, navy blue and red; worth \$1.50.

Better qualities up to \$3.34

Colored Petticoats.

Made of striped Seersucker, trimmed with deep ruffle and several rows of fancy stitching 39c

Made of black Satin, trimmed with umbrella-shaped ruffle, stitched narrow ruffle 49c

Silk Petticoats.

Made of black taffeta silk, trimmed with accordion pleating with circular flounce and finished with percaleine dust ruffle; sold elsewhere at \$4.25; our price \$2.97

Better qualities up to \$42.79

Corsets.

Thompson's Glove-fitting Corsets, in black only, straight front, bias cut, medium bust and hip; trimmed with lace and ribbon; sizes 18 to 28 inches; sold elsewhere at 85c; our price 24c

"C. B." Corsets, with slight manufacturers' imperfections, made of imported white coutil; short and dip hip, low bust, bias cut, trimmed with lace and ribbon; sizes 18 to 28 inches; sold elsewhere at \$1.50; our price 59c

Better qualities up to \$15.96

Tuesday—Opening Display of Wash Fabrics for the Spring of 1905

We aim to make this a thoroughly representative showing of the best of the new products of both foreign and domestic mills. Among them you will see:—

ORGANDY RAGE, ORGANDY LISSE, SCOTCH CHAMBRAY, SCOTCH CHECK ZEPHYRS, SCOTCH TARTAN PLAIDS, IRISH PRINTED MUSLINS, MERCERIZED PANAMA SUITINGS, SILK ORGANDIES, ORGANDY CHAMBRAY, SILK GINGHAMS, VOILE DARLING, SCOTCH GINGHAMS.

IRISH PRINTED CHECK MUSLINS, PRINTED NETS, PONGEETTES, PLUMETTES, NOUVEAUTE, IRISH DIMITIES, BATISTE, ST. GALL SWISSES, EMBROIDERED CHAMBRAYS.

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IMPORTANT!!

How to Shop in Comfort. Pink and Blue Transfer Cards and Their Uses.

Transfer cards should be used whenever you expect to make purchases in more than TWO departments.

If you expect to CARRY your purchases with you USE A BLUE TRANSFER CARD. When you have finished shopping your purchases will be found packed and ready to be taken as soon as you present the card at the Transfer Desk.

If your purchases are to be DELIVERED to your home or SHIPPED elsewhere USE A PINK TRANSFER CARD. As fast as you make purchases with either card the goods are collected at one central point, ready to be released when the card is turned in; AND ALL THE GOODS GO TOGETHER.

TRANSFER CARDS MAY BE PROCURED FROM ANY OF THE SALESPERSONS.

Upholsteries.

Ruffled Muslin Curtains, with fancy striped centres; 3 yards long and 40 inches wide—

Elsewhere 75c a pair; our price 49c

Elsewhere \$1.25 a pair; our price 98c

Ruffled Bobbinet Curtains, with Renaissance lace insertion and edging full length and width; value \$2.00 a pair; our price \$1.69

Imported Reversible Jute Damask, 50 inches wide, popular colorings, suitable for draperies; value 75c a yard; our price 59c

Imported Tapestries, small designs going range of colorings; value 85c and \$1.15 a yard; our prices 59c and 69c

Mercerized Armures, good, heavy quality, neat designs; value \$1.25; our price 98c

Oriental Striped Tapestry Portieres, fringed top and bottom—

Elsewhere \$2.95 a pair; our price \$2.24

Elsewhere \$3.25 a pair; our price \$2.49

Elsewhere \$3.75 a pair; our price \$2.98

Clearance Sale of Fifty Three and Five Piece Parlor Suits. Prices 1/4 to 1/2 Under Regular.

This Parlor Suit Sale is an annual event—always preceding stock-taking in the Furniture Store. The lines sacrificed include Parlor, Library and Reception Suits, with mahogany and mahogany-finished frames, upholstered in damask tapestry, Verona and panne velours. They are all NEW suits in NEW designs, selected from regular stocks—many of them having been on our floors but a very short time. The price details:—

THREE-PIECE SUITS.

At \$14.67—Reception Suit; was \$19.96

At \$26.67—Reception Suit; was \$35.96

At \$33.34—Reception Suit; was \$52.84

At \$46.67—Reception Suit; was \$74.96

At \$54.67—Reception Suit; was \$89.96

At \$90.67—Library Suit; was \$141.96

At \$128.49—Library Suit; was \$184.96

At \$106.96—All Gold Suit; was \$139.96

FIVE-PIECE PARLOR SUITS.

At \$27.74—Parlor Suit; was \$37.49

At \$49.96—Parlor Suit; was \$67.49

At \$58.79—Parlor Suit; was \$82.49

At \$76.96—Parlor Suit; was \$104.96

At \$89.67—Parlor Suit; was \$110.49

At \$93.34—Parlor Suit; was \$126.96

At \$103.49—Parlor Suit; was \$134.96

At \$125.96—Parlor Suit; was \$179.96

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Specials in Our Wine Department.

All Wines, Whiskeys, Brandies, etc., sold by the gallon, drawn direct from the wood in full quart bottles at gallon price.

Mortlach Scotch Whiskey—Purity Above Suspicion.

When the United States Government raised the question about the purity of various brands of Scotch Whiskey sold in America we resolved to introduce a Scotch Whiskey about which there could be no question. We sent our representative to the far-famed Glenlivet district in Scotland, where he secured for us the United States agency for the Mortlach distillery owned by George Cowie & Son. This distillery, established in 1823, is one of the oldest in Scotland and its product has long been recognized as standard. Mortlach Whiskey comes to us in bond direct from this distillery, and we guarantee it absolutely pure and vastly superior to the best popular brands sold at \$1.50 a bottle. Our introductory prices are: Bottle, 96c; dozen bottles, \$10.94; gallon, \$4.58.

Finch's Golden Wedding Rye—Five Years Old.

Regular price, gal. \$2.94; bot., 74c

Special price, gal. \$2.44; bot., 54c

Red Star Cocktails, made of the purest and best liquors, specially marketed and ripened for this purpose. The mixing is done according to our own private formulae. Nothing better can be had at any price. All varieties, regularly 89c a bottle, special at bottle, 69c; special, one dozen bottles, \$8.14

TOPEA SHERRY, a rich, soft, full bodied, delicately flavored wine, imported by us direct from the growers. Regular price \$1.58 gallon; 53c. bottle; special for this sale, gallon, \$1.04; bottle, 44c

ROYAL CABINET SHERRY, our famous old brand. Needless to describe it to our many patrons. It has the rich bouquet and delicious flavor that make it superior to any popular brand sold at \$1.00 per bottle. Our regular price, \$2.84 per gallon; 72c. per bottle; this sale, per gallon, \$2.18; per bottle, 59c

AMONTILLADO SUPERIOR SHERRY, very dry, old and with rich nutty flavor; regular prices \$5.00 a gallon and \$1.29 a bottle; special at, gallon, \$4.75, and bottle, \$1.04

OLD PORTO PORT, exquisite in flavor, a rich, heavy old wine, equal in value to the most popular brands sold elsewhere at \$1.00 a bottle; our regular price, gallon, \$2.84; bottle, 74c; special for this sale, gallon, \$2.44; bottle, 56c

SANDEMAN'S OLD PORT, imported direct from the growers; regular price, \$3.88 gallon and 93c. bottle; special for this sale, gallon, \$3.38; bottle, 81c

Special importation of very rare Old Stein Wines from the Royal Cellars: Stein Wurzburg Vintage, 1885, bot., \$1.77; doz., \$18.74

Standards Traminer Vintage, 1885, bot., \$1.77; doz., \$18.74

Forster Elster Auslese Vintage, 1900, bot., \$2.63; doz., \$31.03

Forster Kirchenstuck Auslese, Vintage 1900, bot., \$3.98; doz., \$47.72

A limited quantity of Most & Chandon Vintage Wine, 1893, Cuvee No. 3 case quarts, \$37.48